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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 TO  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, mailed November 20, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of the remarks below.

The three-month shortened statutory period for reply will be due February 20, 2004, therefore, this response is considered to be filed timely. This Response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114.